# DAS ITE Customer Service Announcement Hoover/JFHQ Mainframe Operating System Upgrade Customer Fact Sheet 4/25/2006

# Upgrade Details

The current ITE Hoover and JFHQ mainframe operating system is z/OS v1.4. IBM has announced that the end-of-service date for z/OS v1.4 is March 31, 2007. ITE will be upgrading to IBM's latest release of their operating system, z/OS v1.7, with a tentative implementation date of July 16, 2006 for the JFHQ mainframe server and August 20, 2006 for the Hoover mainframe server.

## • Upgrade Benefits

Upgrading to the newest release of z/OS will allow ITE and its customers to benefit from the latest software technologies designed to improve performance, security, application development and system availability. Those desiring additional information on new functions and features of z/OS 1.7 can refer to www.ibm.com/servers/eserver/zseries/zos.

### Upgrade Risks

As with any major software upgrade, there is a potential that some features of some applications may no longer function and/or perform as they did before the upgrade. There is also the possibility that 3rd party software may not interface with the new release in the same way it did with the current release.

### What we expect from customers

We will schedule two Sundays for customer application testing. The tentative dates are July 16<sup>th</sup> and August 13<sup>th</sup>. Customers should verify that their applications along with 3<sup>rd</sup> party licensed products they use continue to function and perform as expected. Customers can elect to create a fully documented test script that can be executed and reviewed by the ITE Software Support staff. Any issues should be reported to System Support at 281-6450.

#### Installation Timeline

Date	Customer	Task
6/9/06	Iowa Medicaid Enterprise	First scheduled test of z/OS v1.7 for the DHS/IME Acceptance LPAR on the DAS/ITE Hoover Mainframe Server.
6/23/06	Iowa Medicaid Enterprise	Implement z/OS v1.7 in production for the DHS/IME Acceptance LPAR on the DAS/ITE Hoover Mainframe Server.
7/16/06	Hoover Mainframe Server Users	<ol> <li>First scheduled user community test of z/OS v1.7 for the DAS/ITE Production LPAR on the Hoover Mainframe Server.</li> </ol>
7/16/06	Iowa Medicaid Enterprise	First scheduled test and possible implementation of z/OS v1.7 for the DHS/IME Production LPAR on the JFHQ Mainframe Server.

7/23/06	Iowa Medicaid Enterprise	<ol> <li>Second scheduled test and implementation of z/OS v1.7 for the DHS/IME Production LPAR on the JFHQ Mainframe Server, if necessary.</li> </ol>
8/13/06	Hoover Mainframe Server Users	Second scheduled user community test of z/OS v1.7 for the DAS/ITE Production LPAR on the Hoover Mainframe Server.
8/20/06	Hoover Mainframe Server Users	7. First scheduled implementation of z/OS v1.7 for the DAS/ITE Production LPAR on the Hoover Mainframe.
9/10/06	Hoover Mainframe Server Users	Second scheduled implementation of z/OS v1.7 for the DAS/ITE     Production LPAR on the Hoover Mainframe Server, if necessary.